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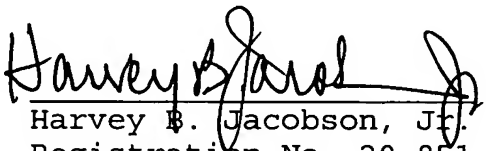
As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, Applicant(s), through the undersigned attorney, submits this Information Disclosure Statement. The patents, publications or other information submitted herewith are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and copies are attached, excluding U.S. patents and publications. English abstract translations for DE 35 06 393 A1 and DE 103 09 893 A1 are attached. German Patent No. DE 28 34 441 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 4,156,398, DE 299 08 150 U1 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 6,689,214 B2 and DE 199 35 117 A1 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 6,475,283 B1. The patents and publications listed on Form PTO-1449 were cited in the specification and an International Search Report (ISR). A copy of the ISR is enclosed. As noted in the International Search Report,

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